

**Before the  
Federal Communications Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In the Matter of	)	
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Federal-State Joint Board on	)	
Universal Service	)	CC Docket No. 96-45
	)	
Hancock Communications, Inc.	)	
Petition for FCC Approval and Agreement of	)	
Redefinition of the Service Area of United	)	
Telephone Company of Indiana, Inc. d/b/a Sprint	)	

**ORDER**

**Adopted: February 9, 2005**

**Released: February 9 2005**

By the Chief, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau:

1. On January 21, 2005, Hancock Communications, Inc. filed the above-captioned Petition for FCC Approval and Agreement of Redefinition of the Service Area of United Telephone Company of Indiana, Inc. d/b/a Sprint.<sup>1</sup> On January 26, 2005, Hancock Communications, Inc. submitted a request to withdraw the above-captioned petition.<sup>2</sup> We grant the request to withdraw and dismiss the petition.

2. ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ORDERED, pursuant to the authority delegated under sections 0.91 and 0.291 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.91, 0.291, that the request to withdraw the above-captioned Petition IS GRANTED and Hancock Communications, Inc.'s petition IS DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Narda M. Jones  
Chief, Telecommunications Access Policy  
WIRELINE COMPETITION BUREAU

<sup>1</sup> Hancock Communications, Inc. Petition for FCC Approval and Agreement of Redefinition of the Service Area of United Telephone Company of Indiana, Inc. d/b/a Sprint (filed January 21, 2005).

<sup>2</sup> Hancock Communications, Inc., Motion for Leave to Withdraw Petition (filed January 26, 2005).